Wooton (HB 785) Act No. 714

<u>Existing law</u> (R.S. 13:4241-4248), the Enforcement of Foreign Judgments Act, provides for procedures for the enforcement of foreign judgments entitled to the full faith and credit of this state.

<u>New law</u> defines "foreign law" as any law, rule, or legal code or system established and used or applied in a jurisdiction outside of the states or territories of the U.S.

<u>New law</u> provides that the public policy of this state is to protect its citizens from the application of foreign laws which will result in the violation of a constitutional right.

<u>New law</u> prohibits the enforcement of a foreign law if doing so would violate a right guaranteed by the constitution of this state or the U.S.

<u>New law</u> provides that if the enforcement of any choice of law, venue, or forum non conveniens provision in a contract would result in the violation of a constitutional right, that provision shall be amended so that the enforcement of the provision will not result in a violation of a constitutional right.

<u>New law</u> provides that if any contractual provision or agreement is incapable of being modified in order to preserve the constitutional rights of the parties, it shall be declared null and void.

Prohibits the application of <u>new law</u> to a juridical person who is a party to the contract or agreement.

Provides for application of <u>new law</u> to only actual or foreseeable violations of constitutional rights.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Adds R.S. 9:6000)